



**DECLARATION OF STATE OF EMERGENCY  
DUE TO SEVERE WINTER WEATHER  
BY MAYOR JIM STRICKLAND, CITY OF MEMPHIS**

**No. 55-2022**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Memphis is experiencing severe inclement winter weather beginning December 22, 2022, resulting in freezing temperatures, dangerous wind chills, precipitation, freezing rain, sleet, and snow; and

**WHEREAS**, these weather conditions present a significant danger to public safety, including flash freezing on stationary objects, property damage, power outages, icy roads, impact on operation of public transportation and emergency vehicles, and interruption in the delivery of essential goods and services; and

**WHEREAS**, the Tennessee Valley Authority has invoked Step 50 of its Emergency Load Curtailment Program, resulting in a mandatory reduction and interruption of electric services for the customers of Memphis Gas Light and Water; and

**WHEREAS**, it is imperative that the City take all necessary measures to minimize the effects and impact of the severe winter weather; and

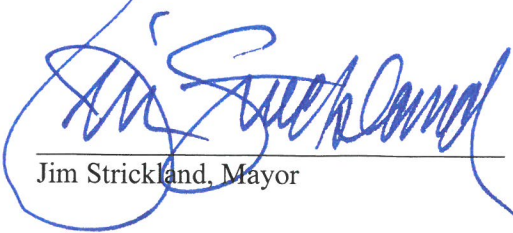
**WHEREAS**, in the judgement of the undersigned, an emergency currently exists within the City of Memphis as defined in Title 58 of the Tennessee Code Annotated; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated § 58-2-110(3)(A)(v), the duration of a state of emergency declared locally is limited to seven (7) days and may be extended, as necessary, in seven-day increments; and

**WHEREAS**, as a result of the severe winter weather and its impact on the City, a local emergency exists in the City pursuant to state and local law; therefore, it is appropriate and necessary for the undersigned to exercise the authority granted by Tennessee Code Annotated §§ 58-2-110 and 58-8-104, City of Memphis Code Title 2, Chapter 58 and all other applicable law; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, JIM STRICKLAND, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF MEMPHIS**, by virtue of the power vested in me by Title 58 of the Tennessee Code Annotated, hereby declare a state of emergency exists as it relates to the severe winter weather impacting the City of Memphis ("Emergency"), pursuant to the authority granted to me by Tennessee Code Annotated §§ 58-2-110 and 58-8-104, Memphis City Charter Home Rule Amendments No. 3231 and 1852, Memphis City Code § 2-58-7 and all other applicable law for the duration of the Emergency.

Upon signature, this Order shall become effective on December 23, 2022.



Jim Strickland, Mayor

Executed this 23rd day of December, 2022